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GENERAL DEVEREUX is known to all Americans for his heroism at Wake Island during World War II, and to Marylanders for his service to State and Nation as Member of Congress for eight years.

OTHER NEW TRUSTEES, elected 28 November 1958, but appearing on INFORM's masthead for the first time, are:

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GENERAL DEVEREUX IS VISITING HOUSTON, together with another ISI Trustee, as the guest of ISI friends and supporters on Monday, 23 March. General Devereux hopes to meet other ISI Foundation supporters as frequently as his important duties at ISI's Baltimore headquarters allow.

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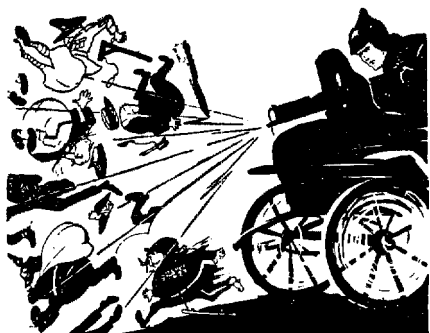
"WHAT IS GOING ON IN RUSSIA?"
Asks INFORM's Chief Soviet Analyst

I AM BAFFLED. Our most reliable sources of information have told us that the men in the Kremlin got the answer they wanted from Mikoyan upon his return from the U.S. and decided it was safe for them to speak and act from "positions of strength". (INFORM 23 February 1959)

A MARTIAL SPIRIT is being spread inside the U.S.S.R., to judge from the following verses and pictures published in the Soviet Armed Forces daily "Red Star" on 23 February 1959.

СОЛНЦЕМ СЛАВНЫХ БОЕВ ОЗАРЕННЫЙ,
ВЕСЬ ТВОЙ ПУТЬ В НАШИХ ПЕСНЯХ ВОСПЕТ

Рис. худ. Н. Долгорукова.



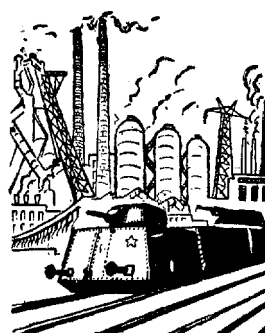
Эх,
тачанка-полтаванка,
Наша
гордость и краса,
пулеметная тачанка,
все четыре колеса!

The glorious civil war
(Machine gun on a
carriage)



И на
Тихом
океане
Свой
закончили
поход..

Japs and
Americans
drowned in
the Pacific



Мы —
мирные
люди,
Но наш бронепоезд
стоит на запасном пути,
Soviet industrial-
ization did not
forget
armament



Это
наша
русская
«Катюша»
Гитлеру
поет
за упокой...
Katyusha rockets
fired against a
battered Hitler



Силы Армии нашей несметны,
Знамя Партии к славе ведет.
Наша Армия в битвах бессмертна,
Как бессмертен советский народ.

Soviet ICBM shot in
the air scares an
American
Главный редактор
Н. И. МАКЕЕВ.

The above five pictures purport to depict the
History of the Soviet Army

Verse under picture to the left reads:

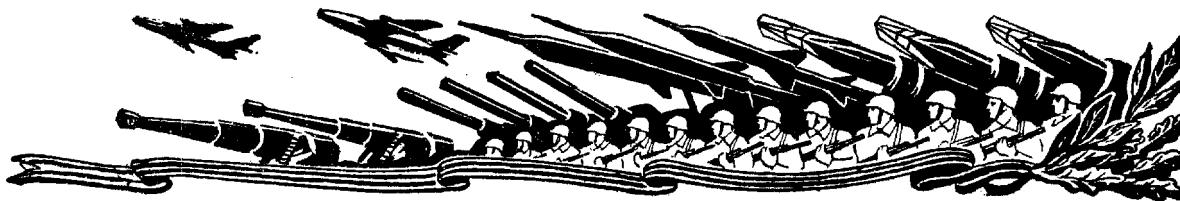
The strength of our Army is limitless
The Party flag leads us
Our Army is immortal in battle
As immortal is the Soviet people

Verse above the Soviet soldier to the
right reads:

We march in step with our Fatherland
We soldiers - heirs of all victories
We master all military skill
As well as the power of ballistic
rockets.
We soldiers are ready, together with
all our people
For heroic deeds of glory, courage and
honor!



Soldier with conventional arms and a rocket



jet aircraft

Atomic Artillery

Tactical Ballistic Rockets

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THE HORRORS OF ATOMIC WARFARE are being minimized for the benefit of the Russian people and armed forces.



Рис. 63. Использование
кювета для защиты от атом-
ного взрыва

Use any ditch - if none, just lie down
as shown above



Рис. 64. Пример простей-
шей защиты от атомного
взрыва



Рис. 65. Использование воронок для защиты от атомного
взрыва

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Bomb craters are excellent for protection

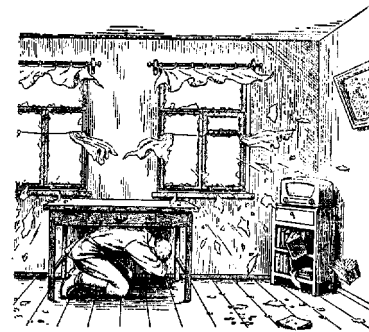


Рис. 66. Защита от осколков стекла и обломков
здания

Protection against flying glass and falling masonry

THE ABOVE PICTURES APPEAR in a booklet published by the Soviet Ministry of Defense. The reader gets the impression that only a few simple precautions are necessary to protect oneself from an atomic explosion. The text of the booklet states quite casually - "take cover and once the bits and pieces stop falling around, just get up and continue to fulfill orders received or the mission you were on".

Meanwhile, in the West, Communists and fellow-travelers adopt the opposite point of view and join vociferously in the clamor against atomic testing precisely on the grounds of its horrible and devastating effects.

MOSCOW HAS LATELY BECOME very boastful about Russian rocket and atomic artillery preparedness. Is this because they are so advanced that they do not fear U.S. competition? Or is it because they are not advanced, but it suits their present policy to pretend to be?

IN THE PAST, the Soviet tendency has been to disclose secrets of their military power when they had more than they admitted to having.

THE QUESTION NOW IS: do they have more or less than they pretend to have?

THE AMERICAN PUBLIC IN PARTICULAR, and we, the world public in general, have the right to know whether these Soviet assertions are true or not, especially because the Russians intend to exploit their "superiority" by speaking politically from "positions of strength".

THERE IS NO REASON for such information to be kept secret when Moscow itself is boasting that it is so.

SOME COMPETENT AUTHORITY in the West should give us an honest answer to an honest question. I am not in a position to provide the answer.



BALTIC QUESTION NEXT?

From: Warsaw

THE RUSSIAN PLAN IS: To neutralize the German problem, by hook or by crook, and produce a strategic vacuum in Central Europe.

THEN, TO EXERT PRESSURE on Scandinavian countries and neutralize Norway and Denmark.

THE ABOVE TWO STEPS ARE DESIGNED to scare Germany, Norway and Denmark out of NATO and into neutrality with all possible Soviet guarantees.

THE NET RESULTS OF THESE STEPS would be indisputable domination of the outlets from the Baltic Sea by the Soviet bloc of states, in which Poland and East Germany are primarily interested.

MOSCOW FORESEES THIS SOLUTION in the calculable future, and has accordingly begun preparations for extending her activities over the whole Atlantic Ocean.

A SPECIAL ATLANTIC DEPARTMENT of the Soviet Academy, similar to their Arctic Institute, has been set up in Kaliningrad. (Kaliningrad, on the shores of the Baltic Sea, is on the route of a new large-diameter oil pipeline being built from the Ural-Volga oil region to provide necessary fuel for Soviet naval vessels, fishing fleets and other shipping.) Kaliningrad is to become the main base of fishing fleets for the North Sea, North, Central and South Atlantic. Soviet fishing in the areas off the Cape Verde and Canary Islands will shortly be increased and extended.

THE BALTIC QUESTION with the Russians pushing their way towards the Atlantic Ocean, will come up on the agenda after Berlin and Germany.

Rounded-Out Russian PlanFrom: INFORM's Chief Soviet Analyst

THE BALKAN PACT (Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey) is very shaky. Having just recovered from Greek-Turkish estrangement over Cyprus, it is now suffering from Tito's refusal to participate.

THE BAGHDAD PACT (Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Turkey and Great Britain) is suffering from the estrangement of Iraq and from Moscow's violent attacks against Turkey and Iran. Furthermore, Pakistan is under pressure from Afghanistan, "now the closest friend of the USSR, to whom the USSR extends most of its help and advice".

WITH THESE PLANS AND PRESSURES in operation, we can clearly see the diplomatic front extending from Norway to Iran.

THERE ARE ALSO SEVERAL TROUBLE SPOTS in the Far East which can, and surely will, flare up at any moment considered propitious by Moscow and Peiping.

U.S.S.R. WANTS TO NEUTRALIZE JAPAN and is less interested in Formosa. The Chinese - the other way round

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THE PLAN IS NICELY ROUNDED OUT by the carefully-prepared anti-colonialist offensive carried on under an Afro-Asian banner, whose main strategic aim is the liquidation of U.S. bases in Asia and Africa.



IN THE HALLS OF THE KREMLIN

From: Moscow (Delayed in Transit)

OVERHEARD IN THE HALLS OF THE KREMLIN: a high Soviet Party official remarked to a delegate to the Party Congress that Mr. Dulles' trips to Great Britain, Paris and Bonn "prove that the attitude of the Western Powers on the German question is unrealistic and cannot produce the compromise the West hopes for".

THE DELEGATE TO WHOM the above remark was made was very much impressed by the sinister way it was said. He came away with the impression that Moscow would be extremely stiff and unyielding on the subject of Germany, and concluded that, therefore, the situation in Europe might become critical.

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MIKOYAN WAS THE CENTER OF ATTRACTION among the delegates to the Moscow Congress. Wherever he went, he was followed by delegates eager to hear "the latest jokes" about Americans.

"EAGER WALL STREET REPRESENTATIVES who expect Communism to support them by trading with them", were the chief butt of Communist mirth. "Healthy and mighty roars of proletarian laughter" were provoked by Mikoyan's jokes and stories about the ease with which the businessmen of Wall Street had been lulled into security by tales of "peaceful co-existence" between such antagonistic entities as Communism and Capitalism - like expecting "fire and water" to co-exist peacefully.



MISSING AMERICAN AIRMEN

Speculation by INFORM's Chief Soviet Analyst

IF THERE WERE ANY SURVIVORS from the U.S. transport plane that "crashed" in Armenia last September, either they are held by the Russians or they are being hidden by local inhabitants. We now believe that the latter is highly improbable.

ANOTHER POSSIBILITY: if the aircraft was shot at repeatedly, most of its occupants must have been killed, or at least wounded, by bullets and shells. The Russians would obviously not return such bodies, whether dead or alive, because they would provide the best possible proof that the aircraft was destroyed by Soviet fire.

ONLY BODIES, WHETHER DEAD OR ALIVE, bearing no traces of bullet or shell wounds have been returned. The rest will have to remain in the USSR for ever.



"HOLDING THE EARTH BY ITS TWO POLES"

Ed: From time to time INFORM has been criticized for publishing so many dispatches on Soviet activities in the Arctic and the Antarctic. The Editors felt that the activity reported was of extreme importance because of its permanent and its strategic character. In this connection, the following statement tends to confirm INFORM's evaluation of the news it has received and published over the years:

"WE WILL SOON HOLD THE EARTH BY ITS TWO POLES", exclaimed one of the speakers at a meeting held in Moscow to discuss Polar problems.

SOVIET WHALING FLOTILLA "SLAVA" did not go this year to its usual whaling grounds off the Norwegian sector of the Antarctic continent. It went all the way round and is whaling in the Ross Sea, almost opposite "Little America".

THIS AUTUMN, A SECOND WHALING FLOTILLA will sail from Odessa and these two flotillas will probably occupy strategic positions along the Antarctic continent connected with the strategic disposition of Soviet antarctic land bases (see map INFORM 29 August 1958).

THIS IS PART OF THE GRADUAL "NAVALIZATION" of Soviet world ambitions: viz:- Soviet submarines given to Egypt, placed in Albania, and preparations for expansion into the Atlantic (see this issue "Baltic Question Next?").



BRITISH ELECTIONS - PUZZLE FOR LONDON AND MOSCOW

MOSCOW WANTS LABOR AT THE HELM in Britain in the belief that it would be easier to separate British policy from American policy with a Labor Government in power.

MOSCOW IS ANXIOUS TO PREVENT the British Conservative Party from using "good relations with the U.S.S.R." as a propaganda election slogan.

"TO DOSE THEIR BENEVOLENCES DROP BY DROP" to the present British Government and keep the Conservatives in suspense, is the policy now being pursued by Moscow. (Example: The much-trumpeted trade relations consist of a few concluded contracts, for which Moscow asks credit, the exact nature and duration of which are not defined.)

LOOK FOR A VISIBLE DETERIORATION in Moscow-London relations prior to the elections in Britain.

"BUSINESS IS ONLY THE WORM on the political hook with which Moscow wants to catch the fish of U.S.-British discord."

Ed: The term of the present Conservative Government comes to an end in 1960 and elections must be held before then. The plan to hold them this Fall, after the Berlin question was settled in May, has been shaken by Russian announcements of willingness to negotiate.

It is felt in London that negotiations on such a big issue might not get into full swing until the Fall; and to hold a general election during important negotiations would be most impractical. So, since the election cannot be postponed beyond Fall, it might have to take place before negotiations on Berlin, that is in May or June.

This is a very grave problem for the Macmillan Government, and the uncertainty as to the election date keeps Moscow's policy wobbly and, seemingly, capriciously changing.



"ALL MEN ARE NOT BROTHERS"

From: Moscow

INCREASING RELIGIOUS SENTIMENTS in the Soviet armed forces have led to a clear increase of anti-religious propaganda among all classes of Soviet citizens.

A PARTICULARLY "ALARMING" RELIGIOUS TEACHING is that all men are brothers. They are not, according to Soviet teaching. Fascists and now Western imperialists who are threatening the world with atomic weapons, are not brothers: they are the worst of enemies and should be treated as such.

"DO NOT CRIPPLE YOUR CHILDREN with religious beliefs", Moscow radio warns Russian mothers. Examples of the harm that such beliefs do to children are cited:

"CHILDREN ARE FRIGHTENED BY HELL. A good way to exorcise this absurd belief is to make such children write essays on 'How I Broke with Religion'."

"SACRAMENTS ARE HARMFUL - often dangerous. For example, the ordeal of christening is dangerous as well as unhygienic. One child, when immersed, choked and died on the spot."

"COMMUNION IS VERY DANGEROUS. By partaking of wine from the same spoon as others, children can get scarlet fever and other contagious diseases."

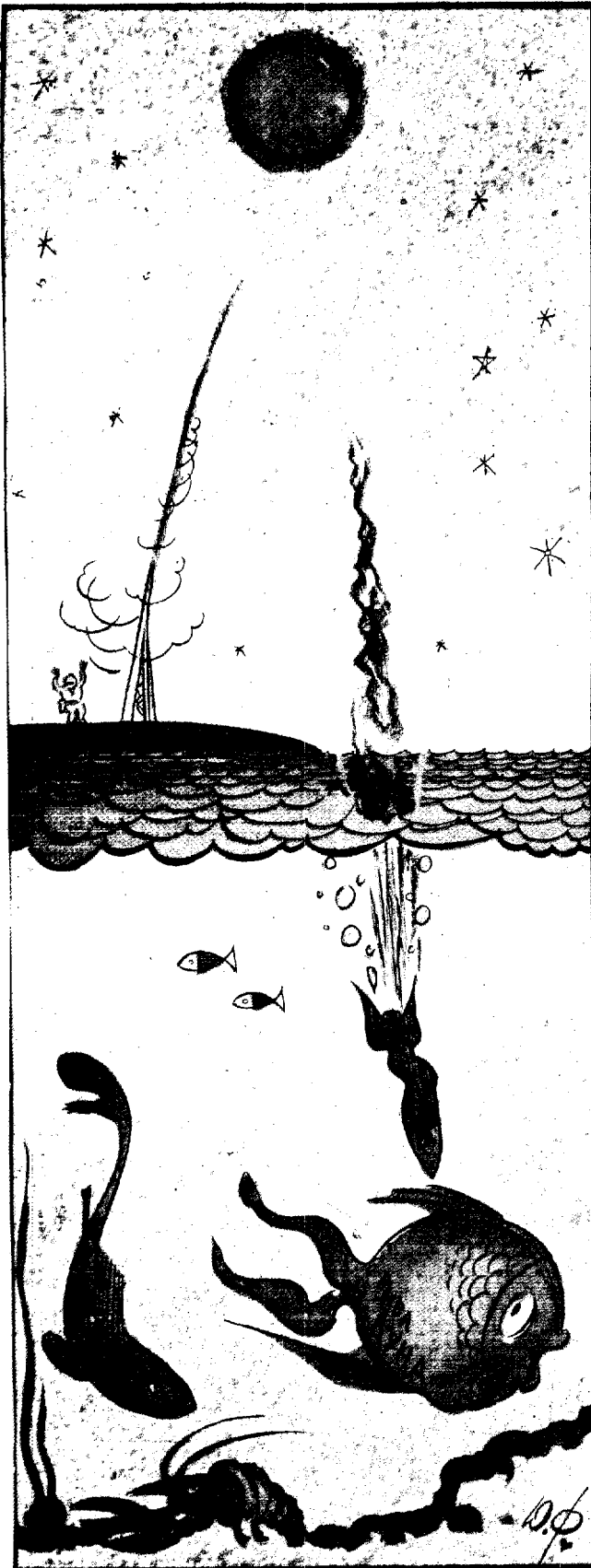
"FASTS ARE ESPECIALLY HARMFUL. First, pregnant women who fast produce sickly, weak children with defective bones. Second, it is very bad for children to be forced to follow their elders in fasting because children grow and need all the food they can get."

RELIGIOUS "DANGER" FOR CHILDREN is emphasized because the young recruits going into the armed forces are believed to be "carriers" of religious "germs" picked up in their families.

Ed: The Foundation has in its files a digest of an article from "Red Star" entitled "Who are the Baptists". The article is supposed to have been written in answer to a soldier's questions about the Baptists and about the harm done by their religious propaganda and morals.

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 В СОЗВЕЗДИИ РЫБ

Рисунок Ю. ФЕДОРОВА.



— Наконец-то американская ракета достигла луны!..

From "Krokodil" 28 February 1959
 U.S. Moon Rocket - reached moonfish

"Americans Knock Themselves Out"
 As told to INFORM's Chief Soviet Analyst

"Did Mr. Khrushchev congratulate Mr. Eisenhower on America's launching of its cosmic rocket? If so, I didn't hear about it.

"Did Mr. Eisenhower congratulate Mr. Khrushchev on the Soviet's suspect attempt to put a 'moon' rocket into orbit? We were told he did, and this was used not only to show us how the capitalists admire and envy communists, but also to dispel any doubts we ourselves might have had about the success of Lunik.

"Here are two Soviet drawings: one showing the sun saying 'How nice it is to be a planet in the Socialist system'. The other showing an American 'moon rocket' falling into the sea and hitting a moonfish."

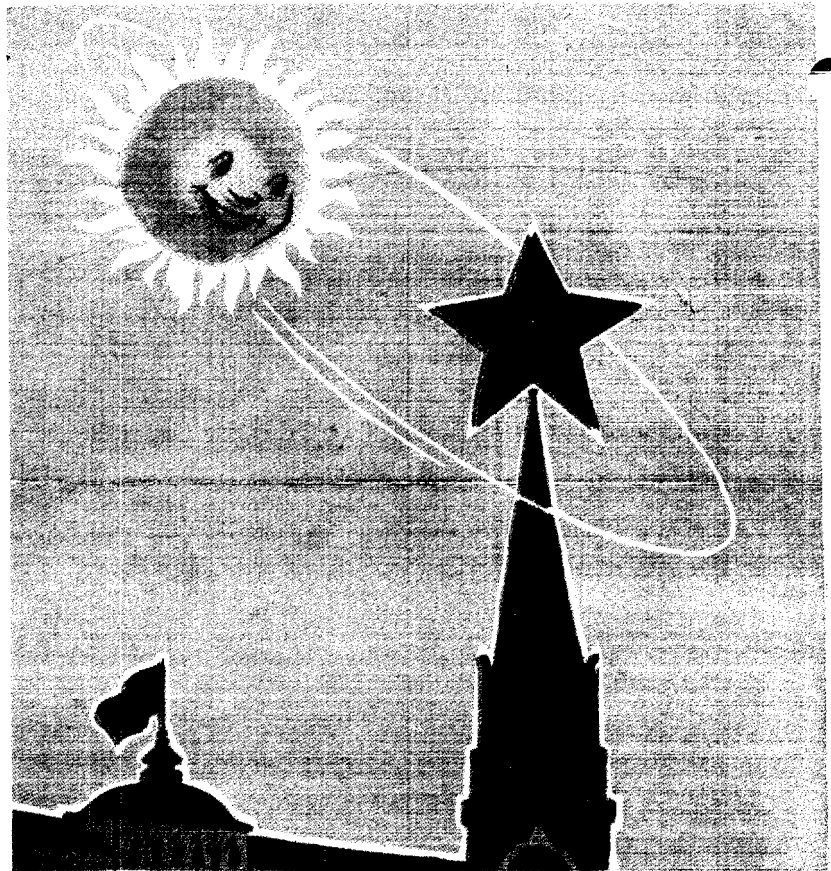


Рисунок Е. ГУРОВА.

В своем заключительном слове на XXI съезде КПСС товарищ Н. С. Хрущев сказал: «Вот и опять ярко засверкало солнце. От начала нашего съезда и до конца оно сопутствует работе съезда».

СОЛНЦЕ:— Хорошо быть планетой в социалистической системе!

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